

Tobacco prices are said to be coming down. Does this indicate luxuries or necessities are tumbling towards normal?

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## YANKS READY TO MEET ANYTHING IN MARCH AHEAD

Take Their Food and Ammunition With Them.

As They Advance in Germany to Rhine.

## HUNS ARE MOVING FAST

Thousands of Rifles Are Left by Troops.

Soldiers Say They Will Fight No Longer.

(By the Associated Press.) American Army of Occupation, Nov. 20.—The American troops showed their line across the German frontier today at points opposite Briey and Audun-Le-Roman, and at points between these two places. Further north the Duchy of Luxembourg was entered in the direction of the city of Luxembourg.

(By the Associated Press.) American Army of Occupation, Nov. 20.—Food supplies and ammunition and artillery are moving eastward with the infantry and the American force is prepared for any eventuality. The advance into Germany is regarded by both officers and men, however, as nothing more than an ordinary march. The latest reports on the movements of the Germans indicate they are retreating in full compliance with the terms of the armistice. It is reported that in some towns on the line of the enemy retreat there are piles of thousands of rifles thrown down by German soldiers who declared they would not fight any more regardless of the provocation.

With the Americans advancing toward the Rhine, Nov. 20.—The second phase of the American advance begun today when the march was taken up across the frontiers of German Lorraine and the Duchy of Luxembourg.

London, Nov. 20.—The allied armies of occupation are now well on their way to the Rhine. Among the important cities re-occupied are Brussels, Antwerp, Metz, Malines, Alost, Montmedy, Saarbrücken, Colmar, Mulhouse, Zabern, Markirch and Neu Breischach. The average advance has been about twenty-five miles.

The advanced elements now occupy the general line of Antwerp, Malines, Vilvorde, Brussels, Charleroi, Mons, Valenciennes, Bourzeigne, Offagney, Belfort, Strasbourg, Elna, St. Leier, Athus, Audun-Le-Roman, Metz, Marange, Dieuze, Saarbrücken, Zabern, Wassembourg, Molsheim, Neu Breischach, and the line of the Rhine to the Swiss frontier.

## Near Ney's Station.

Metz, Nov. 20.—When Marshal Pétain entered this city, he stood before the statue of Marshal Ney and viewed the troops. The municipality and local societies welcomed the marshal at the city hall and the vicar general greeted him at the cathedral where the drums were rung. A prefecture has been established by French Commissioners here.

General Mangin has issued a proclamation greeting the people of the city. The columns moved in the direction of Thionville (Diedenhofen) and the city of Luxembourg.

Thionville is 16 miles directly north of Metz and about nine miles from the Franco-German frontier. Luxembourg is sixteen miles north of Thionville and twelve miles from the French frontier.

The day's objectives represent an advance of about ten miles. The Americans were close on the heels of the Germans, at some points the latter's rear guards being sighted.

The Americans are rapidly consolidating the line. The region of Metz, the locomotives drawing long trains are following up the infantry and are within a few miles of the front line.

Enormous quantities of materials are still being taken over. Frequently supplies and ammunition are abandoned without any custodians to see that they are properly delivered.

Powerful defense systems with new wire entanglements are encountered every few miles, showing that the enemy planned to make a desperate resistance.

In every town is posted proclamations notifying the soldiers that the new government is in authority.

## WILL BUILD SHIPS

Secretary Daniels Recommends Continued Expansion.

Without Regard to a Possible Peace Decision.

Washington, Nov. 20.—Continued naval expansion by the United States without regard to present for possible decisions of the peace conference, the formation of a league of nations or reduction of armament, was recommended to congress today by Secretary Daniels at a private conference with the house naval committee, which is framing the 1920 naval appropriation bill. Discussion with the secretary largely concerned the league of nations and disarmament called for by President Wilson's peace principles. Mr. Daniels insisted that construction should proceed because these questions are for future settlement and no one can foresee the decision.

## GERMANS TO GET LAND

They Prepare to Take Spoils Out of Austria's Fall.

Copenhagen, Nov. 20.—An Austrian delegation has begun negotiations in Berlin for annexation to Germany, according to advices received here today.

## 81,477 FROM MAN.

That Is Number of Men State Gave to the Army.

10,000 Were Sent to the Navy and the Marines.

## FINAL RECORDS COMPLETED

One Out of Every 20 Residents Answered Nation's Call.

Draft Boards Are Not Yet Thru With Work.

The war is over and Kansas can boast of having furnished within a little more than a year 81,477 men for Uncle Sam's fighting line. That means that one fighting man was furnished by Kansas for every twenty residents, basing the state's population on the latest count of 1,700,000. Had the signing of the armistice come a week later than it did, Kansas men in the army and navy would have been approximately 90,000. There were 8,700 drafted men under orders to enter the week of November 11-18, and about 2,000 of these had started to camp, in fact, before the recall reached them and they never were mustered into the service.

## Draft Boards Still Busy.

But despite the signing of the armistice, which is generally conceded to have concluded the war, the draft boards are still at work, and according to advices received at the adjutant general's office from the war department, they will continue their work until all of the men in the September 12, 1918 draft, up to the age of 45, inclusive, will have been classified. That means that some of the Kansas boards will continue on duty for some weeks yet. But no more draft registrants are being examined physically. By order received from the war department by Adjutant General C. S. Huffman, last Monday, all physical examinations were closed. As only a few of the Kansas boards had advanced sufficiently in the classification and examination to start in on the second installment of the last draft, the 12, 37-45 age—those which have not yet sent out questionnaires to me over 36, will not do so.

## The State's Record.

The Kansas record for men actually in the service is as follows—and this remains as the state's final record: 11,325 first credit for enlistment in the national guard and regular army.

7,050 second credit for enlistments.

733 voluntary inductions prior to June 13, aside from K. N. G.

6,439 men drafted before March 1, 1918.

24,930 men that draft, making total inducted 41,360.

2,000 class L men, extra service.

10,000 in navy and marines (estimated by the adjutant general).

Total 81,477 sent to army camps, naval and marine service.

## MASONS IN CITY

Fifty-First Semi-Annual Reunion Now in Session.

More Than 125 Candidates Take Scottish Rite Work.

A class of more than 100 candidates is in Topeka for the semi-annual reunion of the Scottish Rite bodies of Freemasonry, and the candidates are busily absorbing the ritual and doctrine of the highest degree of the order. At the opening meeting of the reunion more than one hundred and twenty-five candidates were given degrees up to and including the fourth. Today an equally large class was taking the work from the fourteenth to the twentieth degrees.

Tomorrow the twenty-first and twenty-second degrees will be conferred and communicated, and Friday, the twenty-third and twenty-fourth degrees will be given. The fifty-first semi-annual reunion is to close Friday night with a banquet in honor of the candidates who have completed the work of the Scottish Rite. A special patriotic program has been arranged for the banquet and the speakers will make the occasion a success.

Each day of the reunion the work of initiation and confirmation of the candidates goes ahead without interruption except at the noon and the dinner hours—and even these are spent in the study of the ritual and the work of the order. At each meal short patriotic programs are given by Masonic talent.

The officers in charge of the work of the fifty-first semi-annual reunion are: Clement W. Seely, 32° acting director of work; Theodor C. Kirkpatrick, 33° Hon., class director; Peter Court, 32° K. C. C. H., stage director; William J. Bond, 32° Hon., in charge of paraphernalia; Arthur J. Whitmore, 32° K. C. C. H., in charge of dining room and waiters; Frank R. Conwell, 32° assistant; James B. Doncyson, 32° K. C. C. H., secretary-recorder-registrar, and James E. Thomas, 32° Hon., deputy valley of Topeka.

## HOLLAND SCARE OVER

Diplomatic Reports Indicate Threatened Revolution Is Over.

London, Nov. 20.—Latest diplomatic reports from Holland seem to indicate that the threatened revolution has been blown over. Crowds paraded the streets of The Hague wearing orange ribbons. Reports which are unconfirmed, state that The Hague garrisons supported Pieter J. Troelstra's demand that the queen abdicate. Queen Wilhelmina decided to abdicate but the presence of loyal troops from the provinces.

## United States Knows It Not.

Washington, Nov. 20.—The state department said today it knew of no deal, agreement with Germany and Berlin, for annexation to Germany, upon the arrival of Food Administrator Hoover abroad.

## HUNS ARE AFTER NO ASSEMBLY IN THEIR COUNTRY

Berlin Soldiers' and Workmen's Council Gets Into Action.

Demand Congress of Their Own Kind Soon.

## TALK OF GERMANY'S FUTURE

The Situation in Germany Is Causing Anxiety.

German Army Is Moving Toward the East.

London, Nov. 20.—The Berlin soldiers' and workmen's council at a lively meeting has passed a resolution against the summoning of a constituent assembly, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen. The resolution, however, demands the summoning of a general soldiers' and workmen's congress. "In order to take a decision as to the future of Germany."

## They Are Worried.

(By the Associated Press.) London, Nov. 19.—The situation in the east is causing anxiety in Germany and the Lokal Anzeiger of Berlin, learns that a great German army is marching eastward according to a Copenhagen dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company.

## Expect His Return.

(By United Press.) Copenhagen, Nov. 20.—At Potsdam it is expected that the former kaiser will soon return, a Berlin dispatch states today. The kaiser is staying at Prince Eitel Friedrich's palace at Ingelheim. The former crown prince's family will remain at Potsdam.

## He Worries Not.

(By United Press.) Amsterdam, Nov. 20.—Dutch officers say the former kaiser is cheerful at all times and avoids any reference to the events transpiring in Germany. Hollanders generally believe he has signed no formal abdication, but merely came to Holland for personal safety and will reside here, if permitted, until the German national assembly decides upon the future form of government.

## Karl Not Out?

(By United Press.) Bern, Nov. 20.—Emperor Karl still hopes to save his throne, according to reports circulated here today. A delegation of Austro-Hungarians has arrived in Switzerland for the purpose of urging upon the allies the personal claims of Karl for generous treatment.

## Bolsheviks Are Caught.

(By United Press.) Copenhagen, Nov. 20.—A great communist plot has been uncovered in Vienna, according to reports received here today. It was planned to seize all public buildings and proclaim a Bolshevik government. Several hundred have been arrested.

## Overplaying Hand.

Washington, Nov. 20.—That there is an active danger of Bolshevism in Germany, but that German leaders are overplaying that possibility, for their own ends, is the official attitude of this government today toward the German situation. This position was revealed by the state department. It was pointed out that the semi-claim of recent days need not necessarily be justified. Russia started (Continued on Page Two.)

## THE REDS BEATEN

German Aids in Ukraina Lose in Flight

Anti-Bolshevik Forces Are in Control.

Copenhagen, Nov. 20.—The Ukrainian government has been overthrown and Kiev has been captured by troops from Astrakhan, according to Kiev dispatches to Swedish newspapers. The Ukrainian national assembly has fled and a provisional government has been established by the capture of the city, who apparently are commanding the anti-Bolshevik forces.

The Ukraine became a republic during the disorders in Russia after the overthrow of the Kerensky government in November, 1917. There was much fighting then between the Bolsheviks and their opponents, resulting in the defeat of the Bolsheviks. The Ukrainian government made peace with Germany at Brest-Litovsk, a few days before the Russian Bolshevik government also agreed to the German terms. Austrian troops then entered the Ukraine and the German army, under economic articles of the peace treaty.

The Ukrainian government was overthrown last May and General Skoropadski became dictator under the title of hetman. He has had difficulty in maintaining order, also assisted by the Austro-German army. The news from the southwestern front. Previous to that he had been chief of staff of the Russian army.

## Cossacks in Charge.

Washington, Nov. 20.—The reported overthrowing of the Ukrainian government by General Denikin's anti-Bolshevik troops will simplify the work of the allies in Russia, officials here said today. It has been believed for some time that General Alexieff, the former Russian commander-in-chief, had a large force of Cossacks operating in Astrakhan and the news from the Ukraine seems to confirm this, as General Denikin is a member of Alexieff's army. Denikin is known to be an able officer who has the confidence of his men and of government officials in the allied countries.

## Admiral Speers Dead.

Montreal, Nov. 20.—Rear Admiral Arthur Bayard Speers, United States navy, retired, of New York is dead here today following an extended illness. He was 72 years of age and a veteran of the Civil and Spanish American wars.

## WILL SAIL DEC. 3

President Wilson Leaves for Peace Conference.

Day After Delivering His Annual Message.

## NEUTRALS TO PEACE MEET

Will Ask To Be Admitted to the Sitting.

Say Interests Too Vital for Silence.

Washington, Nov. 20.—President Wilson is cleaning up a mass of work preliminary to leaving the country for the peace conference in France, making no engagements whatever, except those important to the tasks in hand, the president is devoting himself now to his annual message to congress, which will outline his reconstruction policies and disclose his domestic purposes for the remainder of his term. Determining what war bureaus shall be retained during the reconstruction.

Every county in the state lined up for Henry J. Allen for governor, according to official county returns on state offices, as reported today from the office of J. T. Botkin, secretary of state. Allen's plurality is 153,980—Independent of the soldier vote. Shawnee was the new governor's banner primary in the election—just as it stood at the top of his list in the Republican primary. The county gave Allen a plurality of 8,196 over W. C. Lansing, Democrat.

## General Huffman Leads Republicans Below Governor.

The entire Republican ticket—with

## FINISH THE COUNT

Official Vote of Recent Election Now Tabulated.

Henry Allen Carried Every County in the State.

## BIGGEST PLURALITY HERE

Capper, Lost Only Two Counties to Thompson.

General Huffman Leads Republicans Below Governor.

## JUSTICE WILL BE DONE!

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## SAME OLD BLUFF

HANDS OUT ALL ALONG BY BOCHE

German Writer Tells of Real Conditions

Says Luck and Leadership Saved Hun Navy.

## TAKES CRACK AT TIRPITZ

Leader Was Obstinate and Had His Way.

And the Subs Never Were What They Claimed.

London, Nov. 20 (British Wireless Service).—Captain Persius, the German naval critic, has chosen the moment when the first vessels of the German navy are about to be surrendered to the allies, to publish in the Berlin Tageblatt a sensational article.

Doctor Poling is in Topeka to attend the meeting of the Christian Endeavor society here today. He is to speak at a meeting at the auditorium at 8 o'clock this evening. Doctor Poling was introduced this noon by Dr. Charles M. Sheldon, pastor of the Central Congregational church.

## Should Feed Germans.

In his talk Doctor Poling came out as strongly in favor of the recently announced Hoover plan of feeding the people of Germany. He declared that he is a firm believer in the Hoover program calling for \$100,000 to be used in furnishing the troops with food and the necessities of life. Doctor Poling asserted that to do otherwise will be not only un-American but in effect tantamount to a surrender of the German people.

In the first part of his talk Doctor Poling expressed doubt that the American troops overseas will be back in America for Christmas. He stated that the troops overseas will be back in America for Christmas. He stated that the troops overseas will be back in America for Christmas.

The keynote of Dr. Poling's speech at the Chamber of Commerce this noon was that the old Mosaic law of "eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth" be abrogated in favor of the newer doctrine of "by example and by service ye shall bind your enemy unto you."

## Much Work to Be Done.

And according to Doctor Poling, to America and to America's troops is to fall the major portion of the task of garrisoning the Rhine cities and the policing of the central empire until such time as a stable government is formed and the danger of any more "scrap of paper episodes is removed."

Dr. Poling cited the fact that the major portion of the ships used in the transport of American troops overseas were British, and he pointed out that now that the war is over that Britain will need these bottoms to send her own colonial and dominion troops back to the far ends of the earth from which they were recruited.

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## BOOST THE RATES

Express Charges Will Go Up, McAdoo Tells.

There Will Be Addition of 10 to 17 Cents.

Washington, Nov. 20.—General increases in express rates were announced today by Director General McAdoo, of the railroad administration.

East of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio and Potomac rivers the new rates to 12 cents a hundred pounds and 16 and 17 cents a hundred pounds more than at present. The increase on food supplies will be about 75 per cent as much.

For the remainder of the country the merchandise rate will be increased from 10 to 12 cents a hundred pounds over the present scale and the increase in food rates will be proportionately 75 per cent. The increases, it was announced, are due to increases in wages and become effective immediately.

## THE GERMAN LOSS

1,580,000 Men Killed in Battle, Report.

260,000 More Are Lost—4,000,000 Wounded.

Copenhagen, Nov. 20.—Up to October 31, 1,550,000 German soldiers were killed and the fate of 260,000 was not known. The Verdens Gang newspaper learns on reliable authority. Four million soldiers had been wounded, some several times. The newspaper adds that there were 430,000 German prisoners in hostile countries.

## COMBINE TELEGRAPH

Western Union and Postal Ordered Consolidated.

Washington, Nov. 20.—Consolidation of the services of the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies under government control was announced today by Postmaster General Burleson, effective December 1 next.

The following was issued by the Postmaster General: "The telegraph facilities may be used to the fullest extent and the transmission of messages extended to the telegraph systems shall be under government control."

Basel, Nov. 20.—Mathias Erzberger, secretary of state without portfolio, in the German cabinet and head of the delegates who were sent to Marshal Foch's headquarters has agreed, at the request of the government, to continue the negotiations relative to the armistice to prepare for those of peace, according to the Post of Strassburg. He thus, strictly speaking, is secretary of state for peace.

## ERZBERGER IS ON JOB

He Stays to Talk Peace With the Allies for Germany.

Chicago, Nov. 20.—Mrs. Fred D. Countess and Mrs. John Donald Black, Chicago society leaders and war workers, today were recipients of diamond pin gifts from the Queen of Belgium. A letter from the queen accompanied the gifts, thanking the women for their efforts in behalf of the stricken Belgians.

## FEED THE ENEMY

Dr. Poling Urges the Germans Be Given Food.

He Endorses the Program Proposed by Hoover.

## TO TALK AGAIN TONIGHT

He Does Not Believe Troops Will Be Home Soon.

Big Work Is Yet To Be Done in France.